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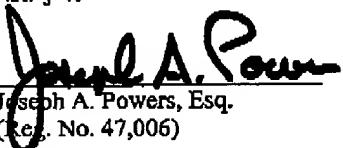
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Aman Safaei et al. Confirmation No. 9592  
 Serial No.: 09/703,171 Group Art Unit: 3714  
 Filed: October 31, 2000 Examiner: Alex P. Rada  
 For: FLASH MEMORY DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURE

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Respectfully submitted,

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## **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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For FY 2005** Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)** **180.00****Complete if Known**

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

**Small Entity**

Fee (\$) 50 25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$) 200 100

Multiple dependent claims

Fee (\$) 360 180

**Total Claims****Extra Claims****Fee (\$)****Fee Paid (\$)****Multiple Dependent Claims****Fee (\$)****Fee Paid (\$)**

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